Senate Finance, Ways and Means Committee 1

Amendment No. 2 to SB3729

McNally Signature of Sponsor

AMEND Senate Bill No. 3729*

House Bill No. 3758

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 33, Chapter 1, Part 3, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

Section 33-1-312.

- (a) The division of intellectual disabilities services (DIDS), in any reduction-in-force of employees of Clover Bottom developmental center, shall not reduce the Clover Bottom workforce below the level required to operate eight (8) new four-person, state-operated community homes built for current Clover Bottom residents until such group homes are built in Davidson County or vicinity and operationally ready.
- (b) The eight (8) group homes shall be state-operated and staffed by state employees, at the safe, prevailing resident-to-employee ratio, as determined by the division of intellectual disabilities services.
- (c) To the extent reasonably possible and as allowed by state law, the employees of the eight (8) group homes shall be employees who have provided care to the Clover Bottom residents who will live in the new homes.
- (d) Any employee of Clover Bottom developmental center who is involuntarily terminated at the time Clover Bottom is closed shall be entitled to severance pay and benefits in amounts specified in the 2010 general appropriations act or in such other amounts that may be specified in a later appropriations act effective at the time the terminations occur, which ever amounts are larger.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.